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The foreign language documents in the following table are believed to have some respective correspondence (for example, a common priority claim) with counterpart English language document(s) in the table:

<u>Foreign Language Document</u>	<u>English Language Document(s)</u>
WO 95/26869	US 5,893,959
DE 19913336A1	US 6,140,477
DE 4415802	US 6,521,688 US 6,214,917
DE 2261388	GB 1379936
EP 0400305	US 5,053,440
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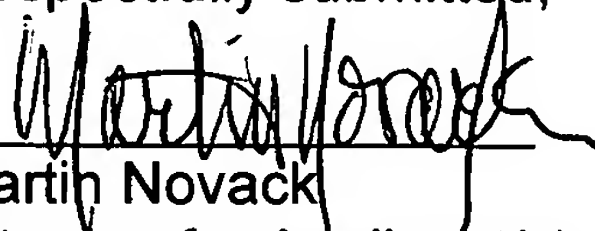
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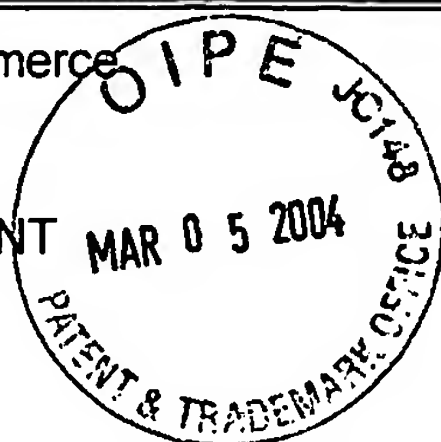
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	5,151,149	09/29/92	Swartz	156	379.8	
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	DE 1479239	12/27/65	Germany			yes
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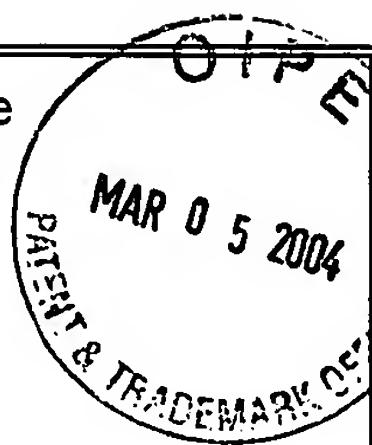
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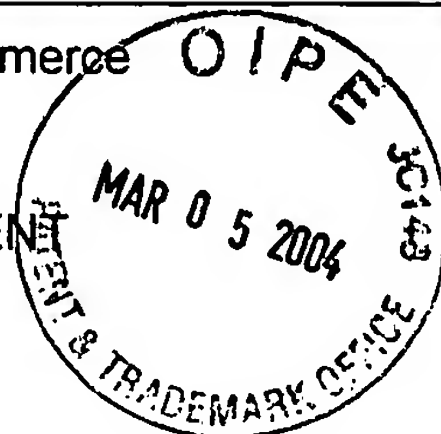
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